



In re application of: Frederick W. Giacobbe, et al.

Serial No: 10/017,403

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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR ESTIMATING MOISTURE ABSORPTION BY  
HYGROSCOPIC MATERIALS

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

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SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDIT. FEE
x 9 =	\$
x 40 =	\$
+135 =	\$
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$

OR

OTHER THAN A SMALL  
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x 18 =	\$ 108.00
x 86 =	\$ 86.00
+270 =	\$
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 23, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listings of claims, which begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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